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The Honorable Chris Pappas Chairman Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations Committee on Veterans' Affairs Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Jack Bergman Ranking Member Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations Committee on Veterans' Affairs Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Pappas and Ranking Member Bergman:

I would like to submit the following statement for the record for the Committee on Veterans' Affairs Subcommittee on Oversight & Investigations October 16th hearing: *Broken Promises: Assessing VA's Systems for Protecting Veterans from Clinical Harm.*

"I commend the House Committee on Veterans Affairs for holding this oversight hearing today on protecting our veterans from clinical harm. As the son of a Vietnam Veteran, ensuring good, comprehensive healthcare for those who have served our country will always be a top priority of mine.

The terrible allegations against some Veterans Affairs facilities, especially those in Clarksburg and Beckley, are deeply disturbing. West Virginians deserve to find out what happened and hold accountable those who committed crimes onto those who have sacrificed so much for us. I look forward to reviewing the findings at the conclusion of the ongoing criminal and independent investigations. Veterans in West Virginia deserve access to high-quality health care and must have confidence in the VA system.

Since the beginning of our country, the men and women of the military have laid their lives on the line so that Americans and democracy loving peoples around the world can live in freedom. I will continue to work with my colleagues in the US House of Representatives to ensure our nation's heroes receive the best care and benefits that they have earned and deserve."

Sincerely,

Alex X. Mooney Member of Congress

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